

REMARKS

A one month extension of time accompanies this document extending the time period for reply.

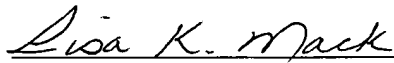
On March 19, 2004, Applicant filed a Divisional Application and Preliminary Amendment. The divisional application claims the benefit of priority of this co-pending Application Serial No. 10/090,683, filed March 4, 2002. Applicant notes the provisions of MPEP 201.06(c) pertaining to Extensions of Time of parent applications. Applicant also notes the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.7 and MPEP 710.05 pertaining to Extensions of Time.

If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

CONCLUSION

Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of the above, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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